

CALL FOR PUBLIC COMMENT **Chestnut Hill Reservation Draft Resource Management Plan**

The Department of Conservation and Recreation is pleased to present this Draft Resource Management Plan (DRMP) for the Chestnut Hill Reservation. Public comment on the document may be submitted through May 5, 2006.

Developed in the 19th century as part of Boston's water supply system, Chestnut Hill Reservation now serves as a public park, serving residents and visitors to the Brighton area of Boston as well as the communities of Brookline and Newton. The draft RMP is intended to balance the needs of recreational users, natural resource protection, and historic landscape preservation. The plan provides an assessment of existing conditions and lays out a framework for future management and capital improvement at the Reservation. The Chestnut Hill Reservation was one of the first DCR properties identified for resource management planning as required by a recent legislative mandate to prepare management plans for state parks, reservations and forests (M.G.L. Chapter 21: Section 2F).

This Resource Management Plan is the result of extensive fieldwork by DCR's consultant team as well as an extensive public participation process. Input from the general public has been supplemented by a Working Group comprised of representatives from various residential and civic organizations, local and state governments.

HOW TO SUBMIT COMMENTS

The public may submit comments the Draft Chestnut Hill Reservation Resource Management Plan in two ways:

- 1) Participate in the Public Meeting scheduled for April 25, 2006 from 6-8pm at the Circle Cinema, 399 Chestnut Hill Avenue, Brookline, MA.
- 2) Submit written comments to: Wendy Pearl

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Comments will be accepted through May 5, 2006 and will be documented in the Final RMP. Please call Wendy Pearl at (617) 626-1389 with questions. Thank you.

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